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Egyesek Youth Association is an organization formed by a group of active, passionate and committed youth workers, trainers, coaches, and volunteers. We contribute to communities to make people aware of their own freedom of choice, so they can do what they love, and connect with each other peacefully.

We have organized local and international youth projects for 23 years. By methods of non-formal learning we aim that young people explore their own strengths and resources using them consciously to fulfil their personal and professional life. To reach that, we do training and volunteer activities.

We support active young people, informal groups and youth workers, and promote volunteering. We are members of several international networks: CCIVS, Alliance of Voluntary Service Organizations and International Synergy Group.

We organize international youth trainings based on specific themes, such as personal and creativity development, dance, media, communication, coaching, improvisational theatre. We have been active in hosting international volunteers for more than 13 years. We frequently organize short- and long-term ESC projects and also realize international voluntary camps, aka workcamps.

We gained many experiences in cooperating with local communities as we run grass root outreach youth work in one of the most disadvantaged regions of Hungary, Nógrád county, where international volunteers also support our activity for more than 10 years.

We have created an informal network among our local partners by working together in order to organize meaningful activities for local children and youngsters. As a great success of our fruitful cooperation, since 2017 many youth organizations municipalities and informal local groups joined us in the world of workcamps and decided to host international volunteers and involve them in their activities.



SUMMARY

Code	Name	Dates	Type	Place	Nr. of vol.	Age
EGY-23-01-ESC	Youth of Szécsény	2023.06.23- 2023.07.08	ESC-CHIL/SOCI/ EDUC	Hollókő	32	18-30
EGY-23-02	Rebuild with us!	2023.06.17- 2023.07.01	RENO/ MANU / CHIL	Hernádsz entandrás	10	16-70
EGY-23-03	House of Solidarity	2023 July	HIL/SOCI/ EDUC	Pécsvára d	7	18-30
EGY-23-04	Make Sziget Green Again	2023.10.10-15	FEST/ENVI	Budapest		18+
EGY-23-05	Balaton Sound Safety First	2023.06.28- 2023.07.01	FEST/ENVI	Zamárdi		18+
EGY-23-06	Bánkitő Festival 2020	2023.07.13-15	FEST/ENVI	Bánk		18+
EGY-23-07- ESC-HPA	Ukraine refugee shelter	July-August 4 x 2 weeks	ESC- REFU/CHIL/SOCI	Budapest	8	18-30
EGY-23-08- ESC-HPA	Ukraine refugee summer camp	August 2 x 2 weeks	ESC- REFU/CHIL/SOCI	Budapest	12	18-30
EGY-23-08- ESC-HPA	Ukraine refugee school	June-July 3 x 2 weeks	ESC- REFU/CHIL/SOCI	Budapest	10	18-30
EGY-23-09- ESC-HPA	Build up Alpakaland	August 2 weeks	ESC- MANU/REFU/CHIL	Esztergál yoshorvát i	12	18-30

Youth of Szécsény 2023

The traditional summer camp of Egyesek, supports local children coming from a disadvantaged background and extreme poverty, and provides them a valuable time with international volunteers. Supporting them in experimental learning.

Location: Szécsény, Hungary

Code: EG4-23-1-ESC

Age: 18-30

Number of volunteers: 8

Partner:

Egyesek Youth Association is a community of active youth and young professionals. We contribute to creating communities based on solidarity, where people are aware of their own freedom of choice, they do what they love and connect with each other peacefully. Most of our activities are based in Nógrád-county, a socially and economically disadvantaged part of Hungary, where young people have very few opportunities to meet their peers from other European countries, engage in multicultural, non-formal learning, or take part in creative activities during their free time. Working closely with local stakeholders (schools, youth clubs, youth workers, experts) we aim to fill this gap by creating meaningful educational and self-development opportunities locally while involving international youngsters in these programs. <https://egyesek.hu/>

Work

In this ESC summer camp, a team of 30 international volunteers will live and work together for 16 days, to lead non-formal education sessions in English for the local youth and children. In the camp volunteers will participate in local summer camps, involving about 100 kids from the region. They will have the chance to organise free time activities for the kids and also help the organizers with various tasks (e.g. kitchen, cleaning, etc.). Or volunteers will visit every day the local after-school clubs and organise activities for the kids, creative workshops, outdoor activities, games etc.. Two team leaders will coordinate the volunteers, and be professionally guided by the local youth workers.



Accommodation and food:

On the first week of the camp, volunteers will stay in an equipped campsite (called Robinson Islands <https://www.robinsonszigetek.hu/>) in tents, with limited conditions (water and electricity are limited). Food will be ordered from a local kitchen and volunteers will eat together with the children. During the second week of the activity, volunteers will be accommodated in a dormitory in Szécsény town. Meals: Vegetarian and vegan food will be available.

Location and leisure:

The camp is located in Nógrád county in the north of Hungary. this region is one of the poorest in Hungary but has many cultural villages, the most famous is Hollókő which is listed as a Unesco World Heritage. It has a cultural centre and ruins of a castle with a beautiful view. The nearby hills provide many opportunities for small excursions in beautiful surroundings with lakes and forests. Budapest the capital of Hungary is about 100 km away from the region.

How to get there?

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD) – Liszt Ferenc International Airport

Trains and buses: Bus station Szécsény – Bus schedule: <https://menetrendek.hu/>

Rebuild with us!

Help us to rebuild and renovate our future youth centre
for the early years' development program
of InDaHouse Hungary.

Location: Hernádszentandrás, Hungary

Code: EG4-23-2

Age: 16 - 70

Number of volunteers: 10

Language: English

Partner

InDaHouse Hungary is an association that works with young people having fewer opportunities to live in Borsod county. The organization operates with volunteers who donate their time and knowledge to hold individual and group sessions for children to improve their social and learning skills. The goal of the activities is to empower them to become responsible adults with plans and fulfilment and with the ability to pass this knowledge on to the next generations. They have an early childhood development program for kids under 6, and they study individually with the older ones (from 6 to 18) to practice comprehension, mathematics and English.

Work

The early childhood program needs more space, and now they are going to rebuild/renovate an old house for our early childhood program in the village close to our existing youth centre. They would like the participants of the workcamp to be involved in renovation works. It will include wall dismantling, brickwork, plasterboarding, tiling, flooring, plastering, painting, etc. They have a foreman who has the qualification and ability to break down the working processes for small tasks that everyone is able to carry out. No specific experience is required for this work.



Accommodation and food

IDH Hungary has a Children and Volunteer Center which was built by volunteers from donations from individuals and companies. The accommodation will be there in big rooms of 6-8 beds. You will need to bring your own sleeping bag and towels. In the Center, there is a big and well-equipped kitchen. Volunteers will cook for themselves in turns. A group of 2 will be responsible for preparing the food every day. The host will buy the raw materials, provide the utensils and help with everything. Meals: Vegetarian, gluten and lactose-free food will be available.

Location and leisure

Hernádszentandrás is located in a beautiful area in the North East of Hungary, close to the Slovakian border. The nearest big town is Miskolc, 40 kilometres away. The village has about 400 inhabitants. There is a small shop and a pub, and a restaurant in the next village, Pere. On your free days, you can visit Miskolc or Kosice, or the most famous Hungarian wine region: Tokaj. If you like nature you can hike up to the ruins of Regéc castle, Boldogkővárlja castle or to Zemplén-mountains which has one of the wildest forests in Hungary, with many natural sights.

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD)

Trains and buses: You need to get to Miskolc train station where we can pick you up. Trains depart once every hour from Budapest Keleti station to Miskolc.

House of Solidarity

Work together with local kids with fewer opportunities to create and learn together about and from each other. The main activity will be holding creating workshops and doing renovation work in the local community centre.

Location: Pécsvárad, Lake Dombay

Code: EG4-23-3

Age: 18-30

Number of volunteers: 10

Partner:

Élmény Tár Tanoda is an organization working with children coming from disadvantaged backgrounds. Their mission is to open up the world for their target group and raise awareness about the opportunities surrounding them. This camp brings local youth together with youngsters from all over the world, providing a chance to broaden their perspective, become more open to the world outside their own community, to learn about acceptance and cooperation. We see this grand, shared international summer camp as a great way of serving our vision for the children and young people around us.

Work

Volunteers will have a chance to understand the civil sector in Hungary and the social reality of people living in poverty, not only as spectators but as active participants working towards social change. The program will consist of team-building activities, creative and multicultural workshops delivered to and by the volunteers with local young people, interactive programs to get to know the area together and some renovation work on a community house. Campfire, common music and board games are an indispensable part of the program.



Accommodation and food; leisure time

Volunteers will be accommodated in tents in the garden of Pécsi Élménytár Tanoda. Toilets and showers are indoors. Camp leaders and volunteers will pay attention to having a responsible, local, and balanced diet. The team will cook in turns with the help of local camp leaders and youth workers.

The camp will take place right next to Pécs which has a rich historical and cultural heritage. Pécs is a lively city with many options for gastronomy, cultural or music programs and lively nightlife. The location is surrounded by mountains, a rich area with forest, hills, wildlife, and an overall beautiful scenery

How to get there?

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD) – Liszt Ferenc International Airport

Trains and buses: Pécs train/bus station – about 220 km away from Budapest airport. Please note there are no trains from Budapest to Pécs after 7.45 pm. Train schedule here: <https://www.mavcsoport.hu/>



Make Sziget great again

Do you like festivals? Do you want to do something for the environment? Come and join us to make green one of the biggest festivals in Europe!

Location: Budapest, Hungary

Code: EG4-23-04

Age: 18+

Number of volunteers:

Language: English

Partner

Sziget Zrt. is responsible for organizing the biggest festivals in Hungary. They work with more than 1500 volunteers per year in around 100 possible positions. For more information about the festival, visit their website: <https://szigetfestival.com/en-int/>

Work

Everything green! We like to protect our environment even during a festival, and your job will help to remind visitors of it as well. As an environmental officer it is your daily duty to maintain, empty and keep an eye on the waste containers. Being part of the site clearance team means that you keep the festival free from rubbish, and collect waste in certain areas. Maybe this year you'll be the person who will take the collected waste from the visitors and give them a reward for it in one of the Green Points. Moreover, you can be responsible for emptying and maintaining the polyduct (selective waste) containers. Don't forget that protecting the environment is not only our responsibility but it's also sexy!

Accommodation and food

You will have your own place at the staff camping but don't forget to BRING YOUR OWN TENT! There is a shower in the camping. You will get one hot meal every day you work. Please note that this camp will provide only one hot meal per day. You can choose from different kinds of meals that you can indicate on the application form.



Location and leisure

The festival takes place in Budapest, the capital of Hungary. Budapest is a very lively city that provides many cultural and entertainment facilities. In your free time you can enter the festival as much as you want, have a sightseeing tour in Budapest or just enjoy each other's company.

Requirements:

If you become a volunteer of ours you will have to register on our website (where you will get your contract) and participate in a group Skype call. Once you arrive to Budapest, you have to visit a doctor for a quick and free examination. Also, don't forget to bring 31 000 HUF or 95 EUR deposit for the weekly ticket you're going to get. This is a must, without the deposit you can not work with us. At the end of the festival, if you did not break the contract you are going to get your deposit back.

Notes: For this camp only volunteers from EEA countries are eligible to apply. For more information about the festival, visit their website: <https://szigetfestival.com/en-int/>

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD) – Liszt Ferenc International Airport

Trains and buses: Keleti or Nyugati train station, Népliget / Kelenföld bus station

Balaton Sound Safety First

Everyone wants to be a volunteer of one of Europe's biggest electric festival. Now you get the chance to be one! Become a volunteer of Balaton Sound with us!

Location: Zamárdi, Hungary

Code: EG4-23-05

Age: 18 +

Number of volunteers:

Language: English

Partner

Sziget Zrt. is responsible for organizing the biggest festivals in Hungary. They work with more than 1500 volunteers per year in around 100 possible positions. For more information about the festival, visit their website: <https://szigetfestival.com/en-int/>

Work

We are looking for enthusiastic new volunteers who would like to join an awesome team in an effort to help Balaton Sound Festival become a safer place! As a Safety First volunteer, you will be in direct contact with the safety and health services as well as the visitors. You can either help support the team at 0-24 Safety Points or as patrol personnel in the field. Proficiency in English is a must since it will be the main language of communication.

Accommodation and food

You will have your own place at the staff camping but don't forget to BRING YOUR OWN TENT! There is a shower in the camping. You will get one hot meal every day you work. Please note that this camp will provide only one hot meal per day. You can choose from different kinds of meals, which you can indicate on the application form.



Location and leisure

The festival takes place in Zamardi, Hungary, right next to Hungary's biggest lake, the Balaton. Your task is going to take place either in the Safety First point or as patrol personnel in the field inside the festival. Outside the 6 hours of work per day with your wristband, you can enter the festival as much as you want, dip in Lake Balaton or just enjoy each other's company.

Requirements:

If you become a volunteer of ours you will have to register on our website (where you will get your contract) and take place in a group Skype call. Once you arrive in Budapest, you have to visit a doctor for a quick and free examination. Also, don't forget to bring 26 000 HUF or 80 EUR deposit for the weekly ticket you're going to get. This is a must, without the deposit you can not work with us. At the end of the festival, if you did not break the contract you are going to get your deposit back.

Notes: For this camp only volunteers from EEA countries are eligible to apply. For more information about the festival, visit their website: <https://balatonsound.com/en-int/>

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD) – Liszt Ferenc International Airport

Trains and buses: From Budapest – Déli Railway st. to Zamárdi is about 125 km away from Budapest. Train schedule here: <https://www.mavcsoport.hu/en>

Bánkitó festival 2023

Every year the best underground bands, theaters and the majority of the NGO scene gathers to a small lakeside village in Hungary. Participate in the county's leading socially conscious small festival as a volunteer

Location: Bánk, Hungary

Code: EG4-23-06

Age: 18+

Number of volunteers:

Language: English

Partner

Bánkitó is Hungary's biggest independent, socially conscious, cultural and community festival with a wide range of programmes throughout its four days in the summer from music through theatre to contemporary art. The 4-day long festival is located in the countryside and hosts 8000 visitors each year. It offers concerts, theatre performances, exhibitions, civil initiatives, workshops, and round-table discussions about social justice issues, human rights, and the experiences and cultures of minorities. The programme of the festival is always organized around a common theme. In 2020, the topic will be Adaptation.

Work

We are looking for volunteers to help run the festival through a wide range of tasks relating the implementation of the festival:

10/07/23 – 13/07/23 – preparational works

13/07/23 – 15/07/23 – festival running-related tasks (on the optional field) – administration, cooking, clean-up, programme coordination, technical implementation, programme documentation (taking photos, and videos, uploading them on our social media platforms and website), communication (text writing in English), running info-points

15/07/23 – 18/07/20 – afterworks.

Every volunteer is working 6 hours/day at the festival, and the time remaining is free for visiting programmes, etc.



Accommodation and food

Volunteers live in tents during the festival, volunteers are asked to bring their own tent. We provide 3 meals/day for our volunteers (breakfast, dinner, lunch – hot meal). We provide all equipment needed to fulfil your tasks, with few exceptions (e.g. if you would like to work as a photographer volunteer, you should bring your own devices). A vegetarian option is available for every meal.

Location and leisure

All this around the picturesque Lake Bánk, a one-hour car ride or half-day bike trip away from Budapest. Bánk is a tiny village in Nógrád County with its not-so-tiny Lake Bánk in the middle. It has everything a tiny village built around a lake could need: a small store, a tobacco shop, a pizza place, a pub, some hotels, motels and a lakeshore eatery. Plus the extremely friendly locals. Bánkitó Festival has been in town for 12 years, mostly around the Lakeshore and the Camp, though throughout the years, we ventured out to settle around the Reeds and the Meadow. In the neighbourhood, there are many options for small excursions or to visit Budapest before or after the festival.

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD) – Liszt Ferenc International Airport

Nearest bus and train station: Nearest bus station: Rétság, Nearest train station: Vác

Train schedule: <https://www.mavcsopot.hu/en>, bus schedule: <https://menetrendek.hu/>

Refugee shelter

Volunteer in the Migration Aid transit refugee hostel on Madridi Street in Budapest and support the operation in 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Location: Budapest, Hungary

Code:

Age: 18 - 30

Number of volunteers: 8

Language: English (Ukraine and Russian preferred)

Partner

Migration Aid currently operates Hungary's largest transit refugee hostel on Madridi Street in Budapest, a 1-4-day transit hostel for refugees (mainly women and children) with a capacity for max. 300 persons. They provided temporary safe heaven to nearly 12 thousand refugees from Ukraine in the first six months after its opening and more than 2000 volunteers have supported the shelter in 2022.

Work

To run the refugee hostel 24 hours a day, seven days a week, they need volunteer support to take care of the reception, help with the dining room, give out the daily necessities from the warehouse, and take care of the children, support learning in the study room, organize sport and leisure time activities. During July and August would be amazing to host 4 teams of volunteers (8 in each group) for 16 days. There will be a scheduled work plan to carefully balance work and free time.



Accommodation and food

The Madridi street shelter is a transit hostel for refugees from Ukraine, mainly for women and children, with a capacity for max. 300 persons, in rooms with 2-8 beds. Volunteers will live in the shelters in dedicated 4-bed rooms, this way volunteers will be able to fully participate in the management of the shelter. Food will be provided together with

Location and leisure

The workcamp takes place in Budapest, the capital of Hungary. Budapest, With its stunning landscape and rich architectural and historical heritage, offers a unique combination of diverse cultural backgrounds, fine cuisine and a wide array of leisurely activities.

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD)

Meeting point: Deak Ferenc square, Budapest city center



Refugee summer camp

The aim of the volunteering is to create and hold meaningful summer programmes for the children living in the shelters, „laugh, run and move“.

Location: Budapest, Hungary

Code:

Age: 18 - 30

Number of volunteers: 2 x 12

Language: English (Ukrainian and Russian preferred)

Partner

Egyesek Youth Association organise this summer camp together with Terre des hommes (Tdh), a leading Swiss child relief organisation, who has the mission to help children in need and it does this in two main areas, health and child protection. Since April 2022, Tdh, in cooperation with the Budapest Municipality and Budapest Methodological Centre of Social Policy and Its Institutions (BMSZKI), has been assisting Ukrainian refugees in the municipality's accommodations. They set up child-friendly corners and provide daily support to families, help with schooling, obtaining the right papers, child-rearing counselling and psycho-social support.

Work

The aim of the volunteering is to create and hold meaningful summer programmes for the children living in the shelters, "laugh, run and move". Volunteers will organise and animate games and sports activities for the children, which will serve a wide range of psychosocial needs and skills such as joy, affection, trust, empathy, respect, and contact. Volunteers may organise sessions together with the parents to bring the shared experience of play or teach English to the kids and their families. Activities will be from 9 am till 5.30 pm or the afternoon shift with parents.



Accommodation and food

All volunteers will be accommodated in a hostel in Budapest and we will provide a 2 weeks public transportation ticket. Lunch will be provided in the shelters, and breakfast and dinner are self-organised, but covered by the project cost. The evenings and the second weekend will be free to explore the city centre of Budapest.

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Meeting point: Deak Ferenc square, Budapest city center



Learning Without Borders

Volunteer with us to support Migration Aid "Learning Without Borders" (LWB) school for Ukraine refugee children, in order not to completely fall out of the system of their former lives.

Location: Budapest, Hungary

Code:

Age: 18 - 30

Number of volunteers: 2 x 12

Language: English (Ukraine and Russian preferred)

Partner

The most vulnerable victims of the war are children. Migration Aid in Soroksári has arranged a "school" on 800 square meters, where parents who have recently arrived from Ukraine, and are still in the process of asylum or who plan to travel further in the near future bring their children. In order not to completely fall out of the system of their former lives, more than ten teachers and social workers (who are also refugees from Ukraine), deal with the nearly 80 children in the framework of this "school light", but there are also countless opportunities to volunteer here.

Work

We would like to organize 3 volunteering team activities with 10 volunteers in each camp for 16 days. The aim is to organize support for the staff during the summer break (so some of them can have a rest) and take part in the education activities (English lessons), organize various activities (handcrafts, sports, games) and may smaller trips in Budapest (visit museums).



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Meeting point: Deak Ferenc square, Budapest city center



Build up Alpakaland

Volunteer to create an animal-assisted healing space where children can be psychologically rehabilitated in a smaller community, sometimes together with mothers and later with fathers.

Location: Esztergályhorváti, Hungary

Code:

Age: 18 - 30

Number of volunteers: 12

Language: English (Ukraine and Russian preferred)

Partner

Migration Aid on top of running refugee transit hostel and Ukrainien school aim to create spaces where children can be psychologically rehabilitated. In this regard, they devote a special role to the animal-assisted healing spaces. As the first test Migration Aid bought in Esztergályhorváti (countryside of Hungary) an empty but utility-filled plot, on which there are currently only many trees. In the area of about 3 thousand square meters on the outskirts of the village, they plan to build 4-5 Green Shelter homes (suitable for 16-20 people), so the animal-assisted therapy space can help 300-500 affected children and their parents annually, counting on 2-week cycles.

Work

The volunteers will support the set-up of the green shelters and barns and the overall preparation for the animal-assisted activities. Both in the construction phase and in the operation of the project will be prepared by the volunteers.



Accommodation and food

Volunteers will leave in shelters in the area and build up the campsite together. We ask you to bring with you your shelter, sleeping bags and towels. Camp leaders and volunteers will pay attention to having a responsible, local, and balanced diet. The team will cook in turns with the help of local camp leaders.

Location and leisure

The camp will take place right next to the "small Balaton" which has an amazing landscape. Balaton is close to enjoy the lake, and Hévíz and Zalaegerszeg are the nearest cities with options for gastronomy, cultural or music programs.

Nearest airport: Budapest Airport (BUD)

Meeting point: Népliget bus station, from where we have to travel with public buses ca. 4 hours to arrive.

